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APPLICANTS: Brad Bongiovanni et al.

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EXAMINER: HARTMANN, Gary S.

FOR: "Locking Cover For Wells and Underground Tanks"

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RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated October 4, 2004. A shortened statutory period was set to expire three months from the date of the action, making a response due by January 4, 2005.

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Please amend the application as follows (additions are underlined and deletions are shown in strikeout):